

THE JEROME PARK SWINDLE.

EFFORTS TO CATCH THE PERPETRATORS.
EXTENT OF THE LOSSES IN NEW-YORK—TALK OF THE BOOKMAKERS.

It is difficult to learn the extent to which the swindle practised on the pool-sellers on Saturday by tapping a Western Union wire was successful, but losses of at least \$25,000 have been placed. The officers of the company have ordered careful investigations, but as yet the manner in which the wires were tapped is not known. Several men visited the rooms of well-known bookmakers and asked for quotations on the fraudulent combinations Saturday forenoon. In some instances their conduct caused suspicion, and thus saved the bookmakers from loss.

HOW THE POOL-SELLERS WERE FLEEDED.

A TRICK CUNNINGLY DEvised AND CLEVERLY CONCEALED—THE LOSSES IN THE CITY.

Industrious efforts have been made by the officers of the Western Union Telegraph Company to discover the persons who tapped the wires between New-York and Jerome Park and sent out false reports of the winners of the races on Saturday. So far no success has attended them. Linemen have been searching for traces of the cutting since late Saturday afternoon. Their first report was that a cursory examination of the upper section of the line disclosed no evidences of tampering. The same result attended the examination of the line between the main office and McComb's Dam Bridge according to the last report at 9 p. m. yesterday. In this section every pole was climbed for the thorough inspection of the wires. The work of examination was not made as thorough at first as it will be later, as it was important that to save time as much ground should be covered as possible. The careful inspection of the loop line, which runs from the main line along the Harlem River to Fordham Station to the company's office at Jerome Park, failed to furnish evidence of the cut. This loop is about three-quarters of a mile long, and extends directly across from the railroad station to the Park, whereas the branch track of the railroad describes a semi-circle passing between the same points. The land crossed by the telegraph line is woody and thick with underbrush, furnishing a spot where the operations of the wire-tappers might be carried on without much chance of discovery. At the same time there are many other points on the telegraph line south of Fordham where similar opportunities of concealment or seclusion can be found.

HOW THE FRAUD WAS DISCOVERED.

The discovery that the wires had been tapped was made by the chief operator at about 5:15 p. m. Saturday. The business from the Park had been received smoothly, and nothing had occurred to excite suspicion as regards the working of the lines. The character of the horses that were operated, but not until Fordham (a horse and jockey) being the winner in the last race, did this surprise become suspicion. The operator telegraphed to the Jerome Park operator, a question which he only could answer properly. It was regarding the contents of a package containing a brace of ducks which it happened the New-York chief operator received some days ago when the race-operator was present. The answer came back: "Wait a moment." A peremptory demand of an answer received the same reply. A minute later the operator at the other end of the wire opened his switch and it was realized in the New-York office that the messages which had been coming apparently from the race-track really came from a "tap."

The Western Union has two wires to Jerome Park, and both are used for the race business. One operator at the Park regularly handles all the race business during the season. The other operator is one who has been sent to all of this season's races at Jerome Park. A Western Union officer said yesterday that the manner in which the wires were tapped, with indications that there must have been four expert operators and an experienced lineman engaged in the work. The wires were probably cut near the pole, the longer ends fastened to the pole by brasses so as to be kept taut and the connections then made with the four severed ends. Two batteries were necessary, as the Jerome Park wires are grounded to complete the circuits to New-York. The New-York battery would work the New-York end of the cut by connecting the severed wires with the ground and then the Jerome Park battery would be completed with the batteries carried by the swindlers. One reason for supposing that the tapping was done on the loop line from Fordham to the Park is that the Park circuits would thereby be small, and could be worked with small batteries, and could be easily concealed. The swindlers evidently made complete instruments the smoothly working the tapped lines. The operators had also studied the style of manipulation of our Jerome Park men. It would require an expert lineman to splice the cut wires together after the tapping lines were abandoned. In such a manner as to evade detection, as the cut has so far done. It will be most difficult work to locate the cut, as the line has probably been repaired in many cases on account of former breaks, and the discovery of a place where the wires were spliced would not in itself prove that that was where the swindlers had operated.

The last time the wires of the Western Union were tapped on the race business was on July 4, between Monmouth Park and the West End, Long Branch. This was detected before the proposed systematic tapping of the wires on Saturday. Investigation of this trouble was interfered with by the telegraph strike, but it had been so far successful that the batteries and wires used in the tap were found. It is thought that the profits of the swindle, regarding this case of tampering with the wires may be of value in leading to the discovery of the perpetrators of the Jerome Park outrage.

CONGRATULATIONS AMONG BOOKMAKERS.

The success of the swindle was the all-pervading topic of conversation yesterday among the bookmakers in the neighborhood of the Brower House at Twenty-eighth-st. and Broadway. There was plenty of hand-shaking and many expressions of congratulations were to be heard as each bookmaker confessed that "this was the time he did not get left." The zeal of Anthony Comstock, directed toward the suppression of pool-selling, was highly commended. "The fact is," said a bookmaker to a reporter of THE TRIBUNE, "that Lovell, Kelly & Bliss, Appleby & Johnson, and other prominent pool-sellers, lost no money by this swindling scheme, simply because on last Tuesday they were informed by the police authorities that they had to desist from carrying on their unlawful business. The bet that they had made on the races included in Saturday's programme at Jerome Park were of a private nature, and were made only with sporting men who could be relied on."

There seems to be some difference of opinion among the pool-sellers as to who are the perpetrators of the swindle. While some are inclined to accuse the striking telegraph operators, who through ignorance hoped to injure the Western Union Telegraph Company by the job, the majority are of the opinion that it was the work of an organized gang, systematically planned and ably carried out. The men engaged in the swindle must have been intimately acquainted with the ins and outs of pool-selling, say those of the latter opinion, inasmuch as they were familiar with the cipher dialects of each firm. In telegraphing the names of winners the agents of the pool-sellers at the track invariably telegraphed the names of the horses, and by their proper names. On Saturday, in every instance, the swindlers used the correct cipher adopted by Bourke, Anderson and Burgess, of Coney Island.

These three firms were the heaviest losers in this city or vicinity. Anderson worked at his books all yesterday, and he estimates his loss at from \$10,000 to \$15,000. Bourke, comes next with from \$5,000 to \$7,000.

"Al" Burgess estimates his loss at \$5,000. The objections of the police saved the few pool-sellers doing business down-town from losing any exorbitant amounts. Rumors are rife that Western Union telegraph operators will lose the loss of sums ranging from \$1,000 to \$5,000. "Pete" Delaney says \$15 paid his indebtedness to the boys who beat him by the trick. Kelly & Bliss, it is reported, do no business whatever in the city. The same is also said of Criddle & Co.

THE POOL-SELLERS' VISITORS.

At Lovell's, in Twenty-eighth-st., during Saturday morning, several men called, all of them strangers, and asked what odds would be offered against the following combination of winners: Ecatt, Bella, General Monroe, Constantina and Forager. Mr. Lovell said to a reporter that he quietly told the men that the only thing that restrained him from obliging them with quotations, was the objection of the police to his mode of gaining a livelihood. He invited them to meet him on the corner, where he would be delighted to accommodate them to any reasonable amount. "I confess," said Mr. Lovell, "I should have been terribly frightened, but I must have been a result of the quiet suggestion from the police to stop business. Judging from the conversation of the men I should say decidedly that they were familiar with the race-course. I did not grow suspicious until they expressed their willingness to bet on any combination of winners provided the odds were sufficiently high."

The same persons after leaving Lovell went to the "Turk Exchange," and endeavored there to practise the same game on Mr. Kelly, New-York and Jerome Park and sent out false reports of the winners of the races on Saturday. So far no success has attended them. Linemen have been searching for traces of the cutting since late Saturday afternoon. Their first report was that a cursory examination of the upper section of the line disclosed no evidences of tampering. The same result attended the examination of the line between the main office and McComb's Dam Bridge according to the last report at 9 p. m. yesterday. In this section every pole was climbed for the thorough inspection of the wires. The work of examination was not made as thorough at first as it will be later, as it was important that to save time as much ground should be covered as possible.

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SMALL LOSSES IN CHICAGO.

CHICAGO, Oct. 14.—Riley & Co., pool-sellers in this city, were caught yesterday for about \$2,500 by the false dispatches in regard to the winners in the races at Jerome Park. A large part of this, however, was paid to the company, and will be returned. Their net loss will be about \$1,500.

THE PINE LAND CASE.

INDICTMENTS FOUND AGAINST H. L. GORDON AND A. K. LOVELLY.

ST. PAUL, Oct. 13.—Friday night the United States Grand Jury brought in two indictments in the Duluth Pine Lands case, that caused such excitement in this State last August. True bills were found against H. L. Gordon, a Minneapolis millionaire, poet and politician, and A. K. Lovelly, of Duluth, who hired a party of men to go into the woods north of Duluth and take up 4,450 acres of pine land worth \$20 an acre, with the understanding that they should assign titles when secured to Gordon and Lovelly. The editor of THE DULUTH TRIBUNE, R. C. Mitchell, a politician of some note and the newly appointed register of the Duluth Land Office, was arrested, but the jury acquitted him.

Lovelly was originally a Government witness, and endeavored, after filing his affidavit against Gordon, to sell his evidence to him for \$15,000. He did this in a room in which Gordon had secreted three witnesses; then went before the Grand Jury and committed flat perjury. The Grand Jury was thoroughly posted on his attempts to treat with Gordon, and could not do otherwise than indict.

THE ADA ATKINSON MURDER CASE.

A DISCOVERY WHICH HAS REVIVED PUBLIC INTEREST.

LAFALETTE, Ind., Oct. 14.—Excitement has been revived in the Ada Atkinson murder case by the discovery of a pair of bloody overalls secreted under the floor of the wood-house on Atkinson's premises. These overalls are recognized as having been worn by Nellie, the old man who was at work about the house on the afternoon of the murder, and many think there is no longer doubt as to whether the guilty party is. Nellie had been spying about that day, and this may account for the blood on his clothing, but it does not explain why he should secretly them.

PREPARING FOR THE CANOE REGATTA.

ALBANY, Oct. 14.—The Executive Board of the American Canoe Association met here at the Delavan House last night, Commodore R. W. Kistner, of St. Paul, the owner of the boat, and a number of other members of the United States and Canada. None of the proceedings are ready to be given to the press except the fact that a committee was appointed to decide upon the next meeting ground. This will be reported to the Executive Board next morning. The regatta will last three days. The Executive Board was entertained at the Delavan House by the Mohican Club of this city.

E. G. WALKER'S LIEBEL SUIT.

THE BASIS OF THE CHARGE PUBLISHED IN HIS DETRIMENT.

BOSTON, Oct. 14.—Edwin G. Walker, who has brought a libel suit against THE POST, which published an article alleging that he was convicted of being drunk and disturbing the peace in the court over which Governor Butler has ordered him to preside, says in a statement that he was never arraigned in court in his life, and that the allegations were wholly false. He says that on the evening preceding the election in 1875 he was a strong supporter of one of the candidates—taken to the police station, detained a short time, and then dismissed, to come over and join him in his fight.

JOHNSTON THE PACER SOLD.

CHICAGO, Oct. 14.—The pacer John Johnston, who paced a mile on the Chicago track last Tuesday in 2:10, beating all former records at trotting or pacing, has just been sold to Commodore R. W. Kistner, of St. Paul, the owner of Little Brown Jug, the next fastest pacer, whose record is 2:14. Von Armin, Fanny Winthrop and a number of other good trotters. The price paid was \$25,000. Pacer Johnston, his driver, says he is confident that he can drive Johnston a quarter in 20 seconds, which is at the rate of 1:25 for a mile, and a half-mile in 1:05, or at the rate of 2:05 for a mile.

A STRIKE QUICKLY ENDED.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 14.—The strike of the stock-exchange brokers in this city, which was precipitated yesterday by attempt on the part of the superintendent to increase the amount of labor to be performed

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THE MINES AT BRADFORD TO BE OPENED. DETECTIVES REINFORCED AND WELL ARMED—NO INTERFERENCE BY STRIKERS TO BE PERMITTED.

PITTSBURGH, Penn., Oct. 14.—A dispatch from Bradford, Penn., to THE DISPATCH says: There were no new developments in the miners' strike to-day. Trouble is expected to begin at 7 a. m. to-morrow, when 600 miners in the employ of the Rochester and Pittsburgh Railroad Company will attempt to resume work. The strikers, who are heavily armed, are camped near the mines. The railroad authorities anticipate a bloody time, and will use every precaution to protect their men.

An official said to-day: "The mines will be opened at all hazards to-morrow, and we expect the strikers will resort to violence, but we are prepared for them in every way. Our mines are guarded by 100 of Pinkerton's detectives, all armed with Winchester repeating rifles and thirty-eight-caliber revolvers. If there is any attempt to interfere or use force to prevent our men from working there will certainly be blood shed. The detectives are accustomed to deal with the use of the gun. The entire force will be here at 1 o'clock Monday morning, and will remain on duty until the difficulty is solved."

It is reported here to-night that every precaution has been made to open by force the mines at Reynoldsville. Over 2,000 armed strikers are camped near the mines. The strikers have engaged special policemen, and say that they will resume work if it becomes necessary to kill off the entire force of strikers.

PROHIBITION DEFEATED IN OHIO.

AN ADVERSE MAJORITY OF MORE THAN SEVENTY THOUSAND.

CINCINNATI, Oct. 14.—The careful estimate of the vote in Ohio for the prohibition amendment places it at 320,454. The total vote in the State was 711,691, which gives a majority against prohibition of 70,783. It will be some days before the official count is completed, and it is not likely much to affect these figures.

The vote in Hamilton County (estimated) was for prohibition 10,943, against prohibition 48,000. In Cuyahoga County (Cleveland), the prohibition vote was 12,954, in a total vote of 39,392. In Franklin County the prohibitionists polled a vote of 6,203 in a total vote of 20,909, and in Lucas County (Toledo), the prohibition vote was 4,914 in a total vote of 14,214. These figures show that the vote was strongly against prohibition. In the county towns and through the rural districts the vote was very nearly equally divided for and against the Prohibition amendment.

WHAT THE FIFTH AMENDMENT SAYS.

BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.

CLEVELAND, Oct. 14.—Figures are published to-day showing that the Second Amendment is defeated in the State by about 75,000 votes. Nevertheless, General Edward S. Meyer, who has just returned from Columbus, claims that the official count will show a small majority for the Second Amendment. He claims that if the amendment is defeated it was done by fraud. He said to-day: "Here, look at the Democratic ticket that was voted in Toledo and Lucas. You see it has printed on it 'Registration and tax of liquor traffic, yes,' which is not right, and 'Regulation and tax of liquor traffic, no,' which should be right. In Seneca County, all below these words are the following: 'Prohibition of intoxicating liquor, yes,' and 'Prohibition of intoxicating liquor, no.' The vast majority of the voters in these counties voted yes as they are printed, and the result has been that the negative has counted the affirmative. The voters have been misled by the loss of just so many votes to the Second Amendment. Similar tickets were circulated in Montgomery County and other places."

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HENRY B. PAYNE TO BE PRESENTED—ALSO A CANDIDATE FOR THE PRESIDENCY.

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